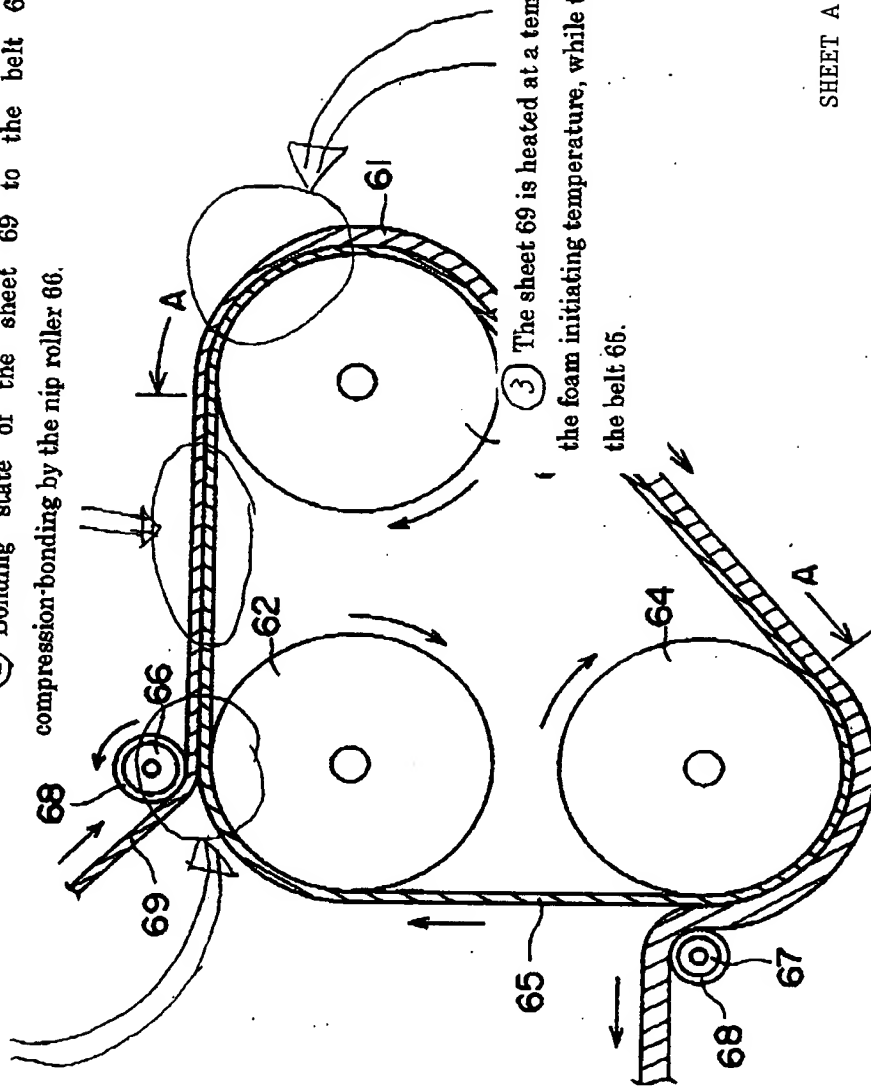


① The sheet 69 gets compression-bonded to the endless belt 65 at a temperature not lower than a temperature permitting thermocompression-bonding to the close medium and lower than a foam initiating temperature by the nip roller 66, so that the sheet 69 is bonded to the belt 65.

② Bonding state of the sheet 69 to the belt 65 continues without compression-bonding by the nip roller 66.



③ The sheet 69 is heated at a temperature not lower than the foam initiating temperature, while the sheet 69 is bonded to the belt 65.